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In re Application of:

Prall et al.

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For: INTEGRATED CIRCUIT HAVING

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TUNGSTEN/TITANIUM CONTACT PLUGS STRAPPED WITH METAL INTERCONNECT AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURE

Examiner: M. Warren

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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This amendment is in response to the Office Action of February 19, 2002 whose initial period of response is set to expire on May 19, 2002.